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Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: September 27, 1966

FROM : R. E. Wick

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

IMPENDING ARTICLE ON ASSASSINATION BY
"U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT" MAGAZINE

On 9-27-66, Howard Norton, a writer for "U.S. News and World Report" magazine, who is extremely friendly toward the Bureau, stopped by my office and spoke with Bishop. He stated that "U.S. News and World Report" is going to publish a feature article in a forthcoming issue, probably its next issue, in which it will make an extensive analysis of the four or five recently published books which criticize and second-guess the Warren Commission and its report on the assassination.

Norton advised that a number of writers for "U.S. News and World Report" are working on the article and that they have interviewed members of the Warren Commission, as well as Arlen Specter, an attorney who conducted examination of many of the key witnesses for the Commission and other knowledgeable persons concerning the Commission and its work. He advised that the research conducted by the writers of the "U.S. News and World Report" has led them to the conclusion that the criticism of the Warren Commission and its report in the recent wave of books is completely unfounded and that the Warren Commission conclusions concerning the assassination are borne out by the evidence.

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Norton had several questions concerning specific aspects of the FBI's investigation, all of which are covered fully in various portions of the Warren Commission report, and these were answered by directing his attention to the specific pages of the Warren Commission report where these matters were discussed.

Norton was very grateful for the assistance rendered to him, and advised it had assisted him considerably in clearing up questions which

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had arisen in his mind and those of the other writers of the "U.S. News and World Report" who worked on the story. He stated that no attribution whatsoever would be given to the FBI in the article published by the "U.S. News and World Report" and that this article would be favorable in tenor to the FBI.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.